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METHOD FOR TREATING ESTABLISHED SPONTANEOUS

AUTO-IMMUNE DISEASES IN MAMMALS

## REQUEST TO REOPEN PROSECUTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §41.50(b)(1)

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Decision on Appeal mailed on January 26, 2005, in relation to the above-captioned case. Since the response is timely filed, relative to the due date of March 26, 2005, applicants believe that no additional fees are required. If this is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to make appropriate charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Reconsideration and reexamination of the application in light of the remarks and amendments herein set forth is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: